To Whom It May Concern,

I, Chief Daniel Jacob Read IV, speak on behalf of the Kalapula Nation — a sovereign Indigenous Nation of the Willamette Valley, Oregon. Though displaced and excluded by settler processes and colonial governance, we have restored our ceremonial and cultural stewardship through active memory, land-based economy, and sovereign declaration.

🛑 Dispossession from Land:
Our ancestral lands were taken under the Treaty of Dayton (1855) and related actions during the 1854–1856 termination era. We were removed from our oak savannahs, camas fields, rivers, and sacred prairies — with no restitution, no return, and no consent. These are still our lands.

❌ Exclusion from Recognition:
Kalapula descendants have been excluded from federal recognition and from the rights afforded to enrolled tribes. This includes healthcare, education, housing, land claims, spiritual protection, and voice in intergovernmental affairs. We speak for the lost, the disenrolled, and the invisible.

🌱 Cultural Economy:
We have rebuilt a ceremonial economy rooted in Indigenous law, ancestral ecology, and restorative labor:

- The 30-Day Holiday Hike of national remembrance
- Herbal and seed-based commerce rooted in land memory
- A tribal fundraising store for cultural survival and land re-entry
- Archive.org filings to preserve our scrolls, seals, and declarations

Each action is both ceremonial and economic — a step in our sovereign restoration.

🗃️ Sovereign Record:
All national filings and restoration scrolls are permanently archived at: https://kalapula.com

We submit this declaration to all UN Indigenous mechanisms, legal observers, NGOs, and cultural allies as part of our sovereign reentry and our moral and spiritual claim to restoration.

With reverence and flame,
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Sovereign of the Kalapula Nation

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